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NEWSNOTES

Help is available

In need of crisis intervention and support? Do you, or someone you know, need help? Call Military OneSource at 1-800-342-9647 or the Outreach Center at 1-866-966-1020.

New deadline for newspaper submissions

Deadlines for submitting articles to the Fort Dix Post have changed. The Fort Dix Public Affairs Office is realigning its newspaper deadlines to match those of Joint Base higher headquarters public affairs requirements.

Articles prepared by writers from military and civilian organizations on the post must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. each Monday.

For more information, contact David Moore, of the Fort Dix Public Affairs Office, at 562-4035, or e-mail david.f.moore@us.army.mil.

Pre-Retirement/ Separations briefing

The next Retirement/Separations Briefing will be held Aug. 18 - 21, from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. each day. The seminar will take place in the Timmermann Conference Center, located on 8th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

This is a mandatory briefing for Soldiers within 120 days of retirement/transition leave. However, it is open to all Soldiers and family members interested in obtaining information on the retirement or separation process.

Reservations are required. Contact the Retirement Services Officer, Fay Marshall-Dease at 562-2666 or fay.marshalldease@us.army.mil to make reservations.

Families invited to relive 1960s in concert

Groovy ID card holders and their families are invited to dust off their tie-dyed shirts and bell bottoms and attend the 60s Flashback Family Day Music and Art Expo Aug. 8 on Doughboy Field. The fun runs from noon to 7 p.m. and features live entertainment, boardwalk games, a classic car show, photo stands, craft demonstrations, a NASCAR simulator and more. Food will be available for purchase.

For more information call 562-5881 or visit the Fort Dix Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation website at www.dixmwr.com.

Six Flags to host Military Day

Six Flags Great Adventure is recognizing those who serve the country by holding the Military Appreciation Day on Aug. 15. The discount package includes a one-day admission to Six Flags Great Adventure and Wild Safari and all-you-can-eat buffet for \$29.50 per person.

To purchase tickets, mail checks to Liberty USO, Terminal A-East, Philadelphia Airport, Philadelphia, PA 19153. Call (215) 365-8010 for more information.

Weather

FRIDAY -- Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 60s.

SATURDAY -- Few showers. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

SUNDAY -- Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.

MONDAY -- Isolated thunder storms. High 89, low 73.

TUESDAY -- Scattered thunder storms. High 90, low 68.

WEDNESDAY -- More isolated thunder storms. High 85, low 66.

Dix riders train to reduce risks



1st Lt. Kevin Skindell
72nd FA PAO

More Soldiers are dying in motorcycle accidents and the proof is in the fatality statistics.

Last year, there was a nearly 25-percent increase in motorcyclist fatalities compared to the previous year, according to Army Safety Center, Fort Rucker, Ala., statistics.

Like many other Army bases, Fort Dix combats these alarming statistics by not only offering motorcycle education, but by requiring it. To ride and register a motorcycle on base, operators must complete one of two Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) courses.

The Basic Rider Course (BRC) and the Experienced Rider Course (ERC) are offered free of charge for Soldiers and Department of the Army civilians. The BRC consists of five hours of classroom instruction and 10 hours of riding exercises in a controlled environment. This course is intended for beginner-level riders with the only prerequisite being that students be able to ride a bicycle. Motorcycles and helmets are provided by the course instructors.

The ERC is a five hour course with classroom instruction conducted on the range. Students are permitted to use their own motorcycle and helmet. This course is recommended for graduates of the basic rider course as well as seasoned riders.

"Our goal is to reduce troop loss (continued on page 3)

Spec. Kevin D. Harrison; 99th Regional Support Command
PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT -- Bob Hansen, motorcycle rider coach, guides a student through a maneuver during the Expert Rider Course, July 29, at Fort Dix. The 12 students in the motorcycle class went through an array of classroom and mounted exercises to improve awareness, technique and response time on a motorcycle. Although the course instructors primarily work at Fort George G. Meade, Md., they host a class at Dix once a month.

Hundreds turn out for Dix career fair

A two-day sponsored Ultimate Warrior Workshop and Career Fair at Timmermann Center last week had veterans and family members honing resumes, interview skills and going one-on-one with potential employers offering new careers.

"The career fair was definitely a success," Lt. Col. Cynthia Palinski, the Ultimate Warrior Workshop and Career Fair officer in charge, said "We had 487 people come to the workshops and 788 came to the career fair."

The July 29 - 30 event complemented the Chief of the Army Reserve, Lt. Gen. Jack C. Stultz's Employer Partnership Initiative. The vision of the program is to develop a collaborative effort to sustain a viable operational Army Reserve, capable of caring for Soldiers and their families, and provide employers with a no-cost link to highly skilled and talented Army Reserve Soldiers.

"We had a wide variety of federal

and private sector employers," Palinski said. "All of the companies had to supply information showing that they had available positions, so it was not just advertisement, but legitimate employment opportunities."

Like any Army operation, potential employees and family members from all branches of the services planned, rehearsed and executed their mission to secure a career position from one of the more than 70 potential employers from around the country.

As a result, many of the people who attended the fair received some good leads and future interviews. Now, event organizers will track the effectiveness of the job fair with follow-up phone calls to veterans and companies to see how many positions were actually filled.

One Navy noncommissioned officer brought some humor to the event after meeting with a potential future federal (continued on page 3)



Ryan Morton

RESUME REVIEW -- Sgt. Maj. Ricky Orange, of the Mobilization Readiness Battalion, talks to Uneceda Brewer-Frazier, Oxford Group Consulting and coaching firm representative, about resume tips and job hunting strategies at the technical workshop portion of the Ultimate Warrior Technical Workshop and Career Fair, July 29.

Dixan gets contracting award

Steve Snyder
Public Affairs Staff

Suzanne Anderson, associate director for Contracting Operations at Fort Dix, has won the Barbara C. Heald award for Excellence in Contracting as part of the Secretary of the Army's awards for fiscal year 2008.

Anderson was presented a plaque signifying the honor in a ceremony held July 19 at Fort Belvoir, Va. Fort Dix's former Contracting Director Mary Kastberg was also honored at the event, receiving kudos as the Outstanding Procurement Analyst in Department of the Army's civilian contracting branch.

Anderson has been a contracting director for the Mission and Installation Command, United States Army Reserve Center at Fort Dix since January 2009 when she moved down from a similar position at Fort Monmouth.

A New Jersey native, Anderson was born in Bayonne but moved to Toms River when she was about a year old. She earned a B.S. degree in business administration from Georgian Court College in Lakewood before beginning her career in government service in 1993 as an Army Materiel Command Contracting intern at Fort Monmouth.

Anderson added a master's degree in business administration from Monmouth University to her educational repertoire in 1996.

Dix's newest contracting operator admits she had no idea of what contracting was about when she was interning in college but says she's glad to be in a field, today, that's constantly changing and consistently challenging. As a U.S. Army Reserve Center, for instance, Fort Dix pulls the contracting strings for base operations at both Fort Monmouth and Fort Hamilton, N.Y., which are part of the Eastern Region. And contracting from her office also deals with funding activities needed by troops training and deploying from Fort Dix.

She says the big challenge facing contractors here is to "execute the mission (which is ever-expanding)



Steve Snyder

KUDOS FOR CONTRACTING -- Suzanne Anderson, associate director for contracting operations at Fort Dix, was recently recognized by the Department of the Army for excellence in contracting work.

while rebuilding an organization that's been beset by changes" imposed by regulations governing the Joint Task Force and other requirements.

"It helps to remind yourself that you're helping Soldiers," she says, explaining one force that motivates her.

As part of the Senior Leadership Development Program (SLDP), Anderson completed a temporary assignment contracting for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The position enabled her to assist the Corps in their post-Hurricane Katrina rebuilding efforts. It was an effort she could identify with.

Pentagon weighs social networking advantages, risks

John J. Kruzal
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4, 2009 -- A Defense Department review is weighing the benefits of social networking and other Web 2.0 platforms against potential security vulnerabilities they create.

In a memo issued last week, Deputy Defense Secretary William J. Lynn III directed a study of social media sites like Twitter, Facebook and YouTube in hopes of establishing a policy by October, Pentagon Spokesman Bryan Whitman told reporters today.

"We're addressing the challenges from a security standpoint, but also the impact and the value that they have to the department to be able to communicate in a 21st century environment," Whitman said.

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates is slated to receive a report on the threats and benefits of Web 2.0 tools before the end of the month. Both Gates and Navy Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, have embraced the new technologies.

The Pentagon's chief information officer is taking the lead on the review, which was catalyzed by concerns raised at U.S. Strategic Command, Whitman said. Stratcom is responsible for overseeing the use of the "dot-mil" network.

In the meantime, there are no department-wide orders banning the use of social networking and other Web 2.0 applications, Whitman said, adding that standard local restrictions to such sites may occur due to bandwidth or security concerns.

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Discerning viewers can't resist gung ho war movies

Steve Snyder
Public Affairs Staff

I thought a heart attack was coming on. After flagging down a Soldier at the PX on Monday, I took her picture and asked her this week's question for our current *Dixan on the street*.

"What's your favorite war movie," I blurted out.

She countered by running down a list, with descriptions, of all these old movies she had watched repeatedly on TV over the years and why she loved them.

Well, I couldn't have been more dumbstruck if she had hit me over the head with a sledge hammer. Sgt. Sheena Barnett of the 492nd Civil Affairs Bn. from Buckeye, Arizona, has her movie trivia together. Humbly, I salute her.

And I had thought that baby boomers were the last of a breed who cherished trivia for its own sake. A movie buff, for example, will strain to save remnants of truth or beauty from lurching into oblivion within the chilly domains inhabited by cyberspace.

But enough already. It's time, once again, to explore what's best about war movies. But over 50 years of speculating has left one with the conclusion that it's impossible to objectively confirm that any films in any categories or genres are, aesthetically, "the best." All we can do is list our favorites and explain why we find some works appealing.

In some dimensions, objectivity does not exist. Subjective feelings rule.

I just can't get into certain war movies no matter how heralded they are by an increasingly superficial media. Sorry but *Saving Private Ryan* (1998), *The Longest Day* (1962), *Lawrence of Arabia* (1962), *Platoon* (1986) and others left me cold.

And we lack room here to explore many fine military films that, for example, look at life on the home front following a war like *The Best Years of Our Lives* (1946) did so superbly or military comedies of the caliber of *The Last Time I Saw Archie* (1961), melodramas as moving as *Soldier in the Rain* (1963) or a whole bevy of films devoted to detailing life in boot camp like Jack Webb's classic *The D.I.* (1957) or even Tab Hunter in *The Girl He Left Behind* (1956).

No, we're going to stick to straight forward, blood'n' guts, Sgt. Rock type of flicks where they shoot first and don't bother asking any questions at all. In real life, war is hell but on DVDs the phenomenon remains a fascinating spectacle.

Let's begin by looking at war films by dividing them into natural categories. We'll start with movies depicting famous battles.

Troy (2004) features nearly three hours of swords and sandals, action and intrigue, and is easily the finest adaptation of Homer ever to make it to the screen. Brad Pitt's Achilles, Sean



www.dailymail.co.uk

HAND TO HAND -- In his film debut, Michael Caine's British officer takes on a Zulu warrior in director Cy Endfield's spectacular 1964 epic, "Zulu."



www.filmforum.org

NO MAN'S LAND -- French colonel Kirk Douglas takes cover in the trenches before ordering an attack in a World War I battle in 1957's bitter and emotionally overpowering anti-war classic, "Paths of Glory." Ecceasez l'infame!

Bean's Odysseus and Brian Cox's King Agamemnon give performances strong enough to bring back the classics.

Other prominent films detailing famous battles include Robert Shaw's memorable portrayal of a Nazi tank commander in *The Battle of the Bulge* (1965); *Midway* (1976), where the U.S. Navy turned around the war in the Pacific during World War II and the *Battle of Britain* (1969), when British Spitfires stopped the Nazis from overrunning the sequestered island by decimating Germany's air force, again during World War II.

Under the rubric of World War II are *From Here to Eternity* (1953) a soap opera about the brown-shoe Army just prior to the Pearl Harbor attack which is fondly recalled mainly because of Burt Lancaster's take on a two-fisted first sergeant; another stolid portrayal of a sergeant, this time Lee Marvin's in *The Big Red One* (1980); Raymond Massey's messianic general in an adaptation of Norman Mailer's blockbuster novel, *The Naked and the Dead* (1958) to the screen; Marlon Brando's misunderstood Nazi in *The Young Lions* (1958), see picture on



The Sand Pebbles Motion Picture Website

GUNBOAT DIPLOMACY -- Sailors aboard the USS San Pablo cut their way through a blockade on the Yangtze River in 1926 China in a sweeping vision of Western imperialism portrayed in 1966's "The Sand Pebbles."

right); Van Heflin and Aldo Ray's paean to the Marines in *Battle Cry* (1955); and James Coburn out to expose chicanery in his chain of command on the German side of the Russian Front in *Cross of Iron* (1977).

Films lighting up sea stories include *The Sand Pebbles* (1966 - see picture above); pervasive boredom aboard a Navy supply ship with noble executive officer Henry Fonda tangling with sadistic captain James Cagney in *Mister Roberts* (1955); director Wolfgang Peterson's *Das Boot* (The Boat, 1981) immortalizing a German U-boat during the Second World War; Duke Wayne survives a perfidious public affairs type and quashes a Jap battle group in *In Harm's Way* (1965); Gregory Peck's *Horatio Hornblower* (1951) swashbuckles his way through the Napoleonic Wars; Robert Mitchum's destroyer tracks Curt Jergens, *The Enemy Below* (1957) beneath the Atlantic; the Brits maintain stiff upper lips to find and sink the *Bismarck* (1960) and German merchant mariner John Wayne outwits the same British fleet in *The Sea Chase* (1955).

Other categories of films and their inhabitants include that of colonial wars, with *Gunga Din* (1939), *Beau Geste* (1966) the modern, Guy Stockwell version, the rousing *Zulu* (1964, see picture above), a fascinating study of French paratroopers who having lost in Indo-China try to make amends in Algeria in *The Lost Command* (1966) the action-packed French Foreign Legion classic *March or Die* (1977), Americans intervene in Morocco in *The Wind and the Lion* (1975), and the original 1939 version of *The Four Feathers*.

A notable commanders hit list would have to include George C. Scott's justly acclaimed *Patton* (1970). Gregory Peck's much underrated *MacArthur* (1977). Omar Sharif's *Genghis Khan* (1965) and James Mason's masterly portrayal of Field Marshall Rommel in *The Desert Fox* (1951).

Movies dedicated to "Indian Fighters" would have to feature Spencer Tracy's Rogers Rangers attacking savage natives in *Northwest Passage* (1940), the color version of John Ford's homage to the U.S. Cavalry, *She Hore a Yellow Ribbon* (1949), the justly renowned *Last of the*



www.eccentric-cinema.com

COMBAT IN THE AIR -- Guns from a German plane open up on a British Spitfire S.E.5a in a blazing scene from 1966's "The Blue Max," a stunningly photographed tale of dogfights during the first World War as seen from a German perspective.



collectors2.fadeback.com/filmgrecsti.html

STRANGLEHOLD -- Greek patriot Anthony Quinn silences a German guard in 1961's rousing "The Guns of Navarone," about a British commando team setting out to destroy giant German guns blocking a sea lane in the Aegean Sea in World War II.

Mohicans (1992) and the version of *Major Dundee* (1965) which has Mitch Miller's original stirring musical score.

Mercenaries would be a short but mighty category with *The Wild Geese* (1978) tangling with Simbas in Africa and Rod Taylor's crew doing likewise in the Congo in *The Dark of the Sun* (1968).

World War I flicks would be negligent without *Paths of Glory* (1957, see picture), *All Quiet on the Western Front*, modern version (1979) and *The Blue Max* (1966, see top picture).

Movies featuring commandos include *The Guns of Navarone* (1961) and *The Devil's Brigade* (1968).

Vietnam flicks are topped by *Apocalypse Now* (1979) and *The Deer Hunter* (1978).

The Civil War is represented by *Gettysburg* (1993) and *The Horse Soldiers* (1959).

Good viewing!



www.william-smilie.com

SOULFUL NAZI -- Marlon Brando's portrayal of a sensitive Nazi officer in 1958's "The Young Lions" drew jeers from critics and sneers from cynics but nevertheless contributed to the success of this World War II drama, its combat scenes in North Africa highlighting hardships endured there.

Dixan on the street: What's your favorite war movie?

compiled by Steve Snyder



Sgt. Sheena Barnett
492 Civil Affairs Bn.
Buckeye, Arizona

"I like that movie about the Battle of Bulge with Van Johnson in it ["Battle Ground," 1949]. I grew up watching all the old movies... I like where the commander of the trapped American unit tells them they have to go back in again and they do it without complaining. I also like submarine movies like *Run Silent, Run Deep* [1958]."



Capt. (RET) Charles Coyer
Blue Anchor, N.J.

"Twelve O'Clock High. It dealt realistically with some of the psychological problems our flyers were having in World War II."



Senior Airman
Tiffany John
35 Aerial Port Squadron
U.S. Air Force Reserve

"Black Hawk Down. I liked the way Soldiers ran to take care of each other and would not leave their wounded buddies. Their sense of camaraderie was impressive."



Staff Sgt. Richard Jackson
35 Aerial Port Squadron
U.S. Air Force Reserve

"I liked *Glory*. Denzel Washington is one helluva actor and it was all about a black unit during the Civil War."



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Customer feedback needed for CMS

Tiffany L. Colby
Customer Management Services

All customers who live, work or do business at Fort Dix will have an opportunity from Aug. 24 through Sept. 18 to provide detailed feedback on all of the post's services.

The 2009 annual Customer Service Assessment, which falls under Customer Management Services, is the Installation Management Command's annual Army-wide program for collecting customer feedback and using the data to evaluate and improve the delivery of installation programs and services.

The assessment is intended to answer the all important question affecting resource allocation in IMCOM: "What does it matter to Service Members and to their families?"

Most installations participated in this survey in 2008, when more than 20,000 individuals completed the survey. The customers - Leaders, service members, family members, retirees, veterans, civilian employees and contractors provided information about the importance of programs and services, as well as a rating about how well the installation is providing services for them.

The assessment can be filled out online, from a Web link that will be published within the next few weeks. When individuals take the survey, they will be asked to provide generalized demographic data that will automatically direct them to the appropriate assessment questions. In that way, family members or retirees, for example, will not be asked to rate services like the Central Issue Facility or the Ammunition Supply Point - two services used by service members

and their leaders.

Within the survey, customers will be asked to rate service "performance" on a scale of 1 (very poor) to 5 (excellent), and "importance," also on a scale of 1 to 5. The assessment will ask that all low ratings be explained, so importance and performance issues can be clearly identified.

Data provided by commanders, command sergeants major, first sergeants, senior civilians, and senior staff will also be captured. They will also rate the "performance" and "importance" of installation services, but in relation to the accomplishment of their organization missions.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for service members and their families to directly affect how services are provided at their installation," said Lori Dean, IMCOM North East Region CMS manager. "All customers will be able to rate how well the services they receive match their expectations. IMCOM can use this feedback to improve services, which should ultimately affect service member and family quality of life."

As soon as the Web link is published, expect to see a strong information push from multiple fronts - (The Post newspaper, email, flyers, MWR marquees, approved Networking Websites, etc.). The more customers in each category who take the 20 to 30 minutes to complete the assessment, the more accurate and substantial the data collected. The data will be returned to the installation in November, when it will be used to identify and document best practices, and to develop plans for improvement in services where customers say there are issues.

For more information, call 562-2261.

Hundreds show for career fair

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employer. "I'm wanted by the IRS," Petty Officer Daniel Kelly said. "I have a private interview with them set up so I am being considered for a job."

Another Army National Guard job candidate, who recently completed a tour of duty in Iraq, walked away with three employment possibilities.

"I've got leads for an auditor position at the VA in Hudson County, a budget analyst position at Fort Monmouth, and a senior auditor position at McGuire AFB," said Capt. Michael Panzera, a certified public accountant who served with the New Jersey National Guard's 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team.

On the private sector side of the career fair, a Best Buy department store representative reported they were looking to fill positions for technicians, management and engineering at two of their soon to be opened stores in Jersey City and Eatontown.

"We would definitely go out of our way for them," said Lauren Maslihan, of Best Buy, "because that's what they do every day for us."

Inside four of Timmermann Center's crowded conference classrooms, job candidates seeking positions in law enforcement, education and engineering mingled with such agencies and firms as the Fire Department of New York, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Comcast, Lock-

heed Martin, and Borgata Hotel and Casino. These employers were collecting resumes from applicants and talking to those interested in available positions.

Before job candidates even met potential employers, many of them started the fair the previous day by attending various workshops to have a resume reviewed; attend coaching for interviews; dressing for success, and career counseling.

Several experts from the Garden State Council Society of Human Resources Management, the Army Career and Alumni Program, and the Tip of the Arrow Foundation, of Boonton Township, provided veterans with inside tips for landing a job. Many of the experts were volunteers at the job fair.

Carl Blum and Bob Deissig from Tip of the Arrow even gave a mock interview presentation on what to do and not-to-do during the job interview. They also provided the job seekers pointers and ideas on how to present and sell themselves to prospective employers using their military experiences.

"We had a lot of volunteers that gave one-on-one support," said Palinski. "It was great that we were able to shuttle Soldiers over to the computer lab so they could make on-the-spot changes to their resumes with a knowledgeable counselor/coach present."

Thirty prizes were raffled off



Ryan Morton

JOB FOCUS - Capt. Michael Panzera, New Jersey Army National Guard, talks to Michael Gold, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Office, from Newark, about a possible job opportunity at the career fair portion of the Ultimate Warrior Technical Workshop and Career Fair, July 30.

to lucky participants looking to make career changes by showing for the workshop.

Prizes included cookware, shirts, a five-day cruise, a weekend vacation at a Trump casino in Atlantic City, and private sessions with professional career counselors.

Event organizers were happy that the workshop offered military personnel the opportunity to

showcase their dependability, having worked under military discipline for years and have special training on their resumes. But, it was the confidence that added the final touch.

The event also included educational organizations' representatives who discussed veterans' benefits provided in the new GI Bill.

They were from: Caldwell College, Caldwell; Centenary College, Hackettstown; Rutgers University, New Brunswick; Essex County College; and the University of Phoenix, Philadelphia. "There were federal agencies, civilian corporations, universities, one-on-one counselors, and resume reviewers - I think everyone did an excellent job," said Palinski. "We really wanted this fair to be a one-stop-shop and I think we achieved that goal."

For more information about the United States Army Reserve Employer Partnership Initiative visit their website at <http://www.usar.army.mil/arweb/EPI/Pages/default.aspx>.

Police Log

Police Log is a weekly synopsis of significant police activities developed from reports, complaints, incidents or information received and actions taken, for the week of July 27 - Aug. 2, 2009.

The abbreviation DoD stands for Department of Defense; NAFD means Not Affiliated with Fort Dix (the subject doesn't live or work here); NCIC stands for National Crime Information Center; DWI means Driving While Intoxicated; CDS means Controlled Drug Substance; POV means Privately Owned Vehicle; MAFB stands for McGuire Air Force Base; USAF EC stands for US Air Force Expeditionary Center; AHCC stands for Ambulatory Health Care Clinic (MAFB); VMHBC stands for Virtua Memorial Hospital of Burlington County; CP# stands for Check-point Number.

●Police responded to a report of wrongful destruction of private property near Bldg. 5510. Investigation revealed person(s) unknown had damaged a tire on a vehicle owned by a Soldier assigned to Fort Dix. Investigation continues.

●Police responded to an incident in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed three juveniles had been throwing bottles at a fire hydrant. The subjects then fled the scene. Investigation continues.

●Police responded to a traffic accident on Hartford Street. Investigation revealed an unknown vehicle had struck a parked and unoccupied vehicle belonging to an FCI employee.

●Police responded to an assault at Bldg. 5326. Investigation revealed two Fort Dix civilian employees had a verbal argument that escalated into a fight. The subjects were transported to the police station for processing. Emergency medical personnel responded, but both subjects declined treatment. Both subjects were cited with simple assault.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5601. Investigation revealed no cause for the alarm.

●Police responded to a motor vehicle crash near Bldg. 5215. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, was backing out of a parking space when it was struck by a second vehicle backing from a nearby parking space. The second vehicle then fled the scene. There were no reported injuries and the vehicle was released to the operator at the scene.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 4352. Investigation revealed no cause for the alarm.

●Police responded to an incident in the Laurel Hill housing area. Investigation revealed a military dependent had purposefully damaged the quarters. Investigation continues.

●Police responded to a traffic accident in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by an Airman assigned to McGuire AFB, struck a parked vehicle while backing from a driveway. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

●Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a gas leak at Bldg. 5519. The gas was shut off and the utility company responded to fix the leak.

●Police responded to a traffic accident near Bldg. 5950. Investigation revealed a government vehicle, operated by an Airman assigned to Fort Dix, struck another vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

●Police responded to a report of theft at Bldg. 5501. Investigation revealed person(s) unknown had taken food items. Investigation continues.

●While processing two visitors, a Fort Dix contract employee and a civilian NAFD, at the Visitor Center, police discovered both subjects had outstanding warrants from Trenton. The subjects were transported to the police station for processing and transferred to the custody of the Trenton Police Department.

●While conducting a routine credential check of a vehicle attempting to enter the installation via the FCI gate, police discovered the operator, a civilian NAFD, had a suspended driver's license. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

●There was one expired identification cards confiscated during the period.

●There were six Magistrate Court Citations issued for violations. DWI incidents are now at nine for the year.

Riders train

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Many insurance companies offer discounts to MSF course graduates. Also, some states waive the road test requirement for licensing with successful completion of either course. Course graduates are encouraged to contact their insurance companies and respective states' Department of Motor Vehicles to see which benefits may apply.

"Riding at 35 mph is easy, anyone can do it, maneuvering at 10-15mph takes skill," said Hansen.

While the courses satisfy the on-base riding requirement, head instructor David Backert recommends the education for all riders.

"If you think you know everything about riding, it's time to stop," said Backert. Aside from improving rider skills, there are additional benefits to taking either the BRC or ERC.

For more information on motorcycle safety, courses offered at Fort Dix and how to register, call 562-3082. For more information on the MSF, log on to www.msf-usa.org.

Kevin Sedlak, Fort Dix Installation Safety Officer, said there will be two more BRC and ERC classes offered this year. The BRC will be offered August 25-26 and Sept 15-16 and the ERC August 27 and Sept 17. Classes are scheduled to pick up again in May of next year.

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that 5,290 motorcyclists died last year in the US; 126 of those fatalities were members of all branches of the military.

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Chaplain Corps celebrates 234 years

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Public Affairs Staff

The rich history of service to God and country was celebrated by members of the Fort Dix community during the observance of the 234th Anniversary of the United States Army Chaplain Corps at the Main Chapel July 29.

Garrison Chaplain (Col.) Thomas Brouillard spoke of the extensive accomplishments of chaplains throughout the honorable service of the corps. From Lexington and Concord, during the Revolutionary War, to the current wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, spiritual leaders

have served Soldiers faithfully, even in the face of certain death. "William Emerson has the distinction of being the very first chaplain, serving the irregulars at Concord on 19 April 1776; he later died on active duty. Other New England clergy ... 'shouldered their muskets, and fought as common Soldiers,'" Brouillard said.

Gen. George Washington could count 15 chaplains serving 23 regiments when he took over command of the Continental Army. The Second Continental Congress officially recognized the chaplaincy on July 29, 1775.

According to Brouillard, by the Civil War, the chaplaincy had expanded to include post and

hospital chaplains. During the war, approximately 4,000 chaplains served the armies of the North and South — 3,000 appointed to the North and 1,000 to the South. Sixty-six Union and 25 Confederate chaplains died in the War Between the States.

In 1864 organization was given to the chaplaincy when clergymen were given the rank of chaplain, without command, in the regular and volunteer service of the United States.

Brouillard said that Army chaplains came into their own during World War I. The National Defense Act of 1920 formally established the Office of the Chief of Chaplains.

In an article from the Army News Service, Chap. (Maj. Gen.) Douglas Carver the Army Chief of Chaplains stated that more than 25,000 chaplains have served going back to 1775. He also said that chaplains were present in more than 270 major combat engagements and that 400 chaplains have died in combat as far back as the battles of Lexington and Bunker Hill. Carver pointed out that six chaplains have received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for heroism and valor; four during the Civil War and two in Vietnam. The general noted that more than 1,000 chaplains have mobilized since 2003.

Tribute was also paid to chaplain assistants for their service in providing support for, and protection of, the chaplains for more than 100 years.

Brouillard concluded his remarks by saying, "Chaplains go wherever Soldiers go, offering a listening ear, an encouraging word, a message from God, or a cup of cold water."

One commander described the job of the chaplain as to be wherever the Soldiers are the most miserable. That, in a nutshell, is the mission of the chaplain. That is what we celebrate today."

Col. Patrick Slowey, Fort Dix garrison commander, shared a



KEEPING COOL — Three-year-old Desiree Hartsfield and her mom, Mary Hartsfield, above, cool off in the indoor pool at the Aquatic Center during the 234th Anniversary of the United States Army Chaplain Corps celebration July 29. It was a refreshing experience as the weather was hot and humid. Col. Patrick Slowey, garrison commander, left photo, reflects on the many contributions that chaplains and their assistants have made to the Army cause over the past 234 years.

few words with those assembled in the chapel.

"Today, chaplains are more involved than ever before in the lives of our Soldiers and their families. The value of the Chaplain Corps to the Army and its families over the years is immeasurable — everywhere we go, they are there. In the very worst of times, the chaplain is always there to comfort, guide, and nurture all of God's children. So today it gives me great pleas-

ure to wish the Army Chaplain Corps a Happy 234th Anniversary," said Slowey.

People from throughout the community enjoyed a bountiful picnic lunch while children frolicked around the chapel grounds playing bean bag throw, jumping in a bounce house, or wreaking havoc on one another with water guns and balloons.

In the latter part of the afternoon the festivities moved to the Aquatics Center, where everyone

took the edge off the hot and humid day by jumping into the indoor pool and munching on ice cold watermelon.

As the Fort Dix community celebrated the history of the Army Chaplain Corps, it was understood that the service of chaplains and their assistants to commanders, Soldiers, and families is vital to the good health and emotional well-being of the community and Army as a whole.



PARTYING PARISHIONERS — The Fort Dix community celebrated the 234th Anniversary of the United States Army Chaplain Corps July 29. There were a variety of fun activities for the celebration, including a pool party. Chap. (Maj.) Allen Raub and his daughter, Anna Raub, above left, cool off in the pool. Food was abundant, above right, and a bounce house provided entertainment for all, including Andrew Ferson and Tyler Lara, right. The celebration at the Main Chapel included a tribute to fallen chaplains and chaplain assistants along with the playing of Taps. Since the beginning of the Revolutionary War, 400 chaplains have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving Soldiers on the battlefield. Although the Chaplain Corps is only 100 years old, members of the clergy have been serving Soldiers since the Revolutionary War.



photos by Wayne Cook

NEIGHBORHOOD

The Corner

Hot August Night Wine and Jazz Festival returns

Enjoy a night of wine and smooth Jazz at Club Dix Aug. 14 at 5:30 p.m. Performances by Jazz greats Jeff Golub, Eugene Groove, Jeff Lorber and Jessy J, along with a sampling of wines and spirits highlight the evening. The event is open to the public. Tickets are \$24 for ID card holders and \$29 for all others. Anyone attending the wine tasting must be 21 or older. Tickets may be purchased in person at Club Dix and FMWR Headquarters or over the phone by calling 562-6772.

Mothers of Preschoolers group meeting starting soon

The Military Mothers of Preschoolers group (pregnancy through kindergarten) will meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month from 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at the Fort Dix Main Chapel starting Sept. 22. The program is provided for ages 6 months and up. Registration is required. Volunteers are also needed for the MOPPETTS room. Playgroups are being held every Wednesday throughout the summer. For more information call Jessica Follett at (585) 802-3308 or email jessicafollett@yahoo.com.

Items available to rent at Outdoor Recreation

Add some fun to your family or community event this season by renting items from the Outdoor Recreation Equipment Resource Center. Three bouncy castles, and two sizes of table covers are available to rent. Canoes, boats, tents, tables, chairs, super cookers, mountain bikes and other equipment are also available. For more information call 562-6667.

Bowling League forming for winter season

The Tuesday Night Keglers league is forming for the 2009/2010 winter season. Sign-up at the Fort Dix Bowling Center. Both individual and team bowlers are needed. The league will start Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. For more information call Willie Williams at 893-8430.

Naval Sea Cadets accepting new recruits

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps has openings for a limited number of young people ages 11-17 to join the crew of Aegis Division. Interviews will be held at Burlington County College in Pemberton on Aug. 22, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps is comprised of everyday young people who have an interest in seamanship, the military or other seagoing careers. Cadet applicants must be drug-free, crime-free, and physically fit.

Aegis Division cadets train at the Naval Reserve Center on Fort Dix one weekend per month beginning on the third Friday at 7 p.m. and ending that Sunday at 4 p.m. Additional community service and color guard activities are held throughout the year.

Adult volunteers are also needed. Adults or students wishing to schedule an appointment for Aug. 22 should call the division's recruiting hotline at (609) 949-9019 ext. 1.

For further information visit www.seacadets.org.

Arts and Crafts hosts Summer Art Camp

There is still time to sign up for the Fort Dix Arts and Crafts Center's Summer Art Camp. Session III begins Aug. 18 and runs through Aug. 21. Children can explore a variety of craft techniques using clay, paper, paint and more.

The program runs Tuesday through Friday from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. for ages 6-10 and from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for ages 11-16.

A \$50 registration fee includes all materials. Family discounts are available.

The Arts and Crafts Center also offers Krafty Birthday Parties. Parties include up to two hours of party room use and one craft project with instructions and all materials. Adorable Create-a-Critter parties are also available. For more information call 562-5691.

Ryan Morton Public Affairs Staff

Joe Bazerque, an Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) visual merchandising supervisor at the Fort Dix/McGuire Air Force Base Main Exchange, has created art since childhood and it's a passion that's followed him throughout his life. Some of his works are currently on display at the Fort Dix Arts and Crafts Center.

"It's nice having a show and getting feedback," said Bazerque.

Bazerque graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1992 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in fine art and began displaying his works on campus. Since then he has displayed his work in various shows and galleries in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Bazerque is an abstract artist specializing in drawings and paintings who usually, as he says, starts his works off with simple shapes such as circles, triangles, squares, and lines. He uses materials including different types of paper, foam, water colors, pastels, acrylics, and sumi ink. In recent years he's concentrated more on using pastels such as on his personal favorite piece "Love Among Chaos," a painting he created in 2003.

At Bazerque's Arts and Crafts Center exhibit, he has a statement that reads, "Lines. Some are structured, some are loose, and others are free. Through line (s) one sees all things in life. Lines can relate, divide, and oppose each other. They are the base to everything and non-things. They can show stability, strength, conflict, and sadness. They can lay peaceful like a child or jump like fire."

In order for a line to be born, to breathe on its own, it must metaphorize into something more than just a line, a curve, a wave. It must have a sense of individuality, a personality, if

you will. After this feat is accomplished, the line magically takes on a spirit. It becomes organic. The transformation, once completed, is breathtaking. It can be as delicate as a strand of a spider's

web, as sharp as a knife's edge, or as ephemeral as smoke from a cigarette." Bazerque's work will be on display at the Arts and Crafts Center until the end of August.



Ryan Morton

A PASSION FOR ART — AAFES visual merchandising supervisor, Joe Bazerque, stands beside "Love Among Chaos," one of the works he has on display at the Fort Dix Arts and Crafts Center. A collection of his abstract pieces which include watercolors, pastels, sumi ink, and acrylics, is on exhibit at the center throughout the month of August.

Temporary care offered for children

Rob McIlvaine FMWR Public Affairs Staff

Respite Child Care, a program of the Army's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Child, Youth & School Services (CYSS), offers a temporary break or time away for parents.

"For Families of deployed Soldiers serving downrange and Warriors in Transition, 16 free hours of child care — per child, per month — is provided to give the 'stay-behind parent' a much needed break from parenting responsibilities in order to take care of personal needs, such as doctor's appointments and errands," Jerry Haag, deputy director of CYSS, said. This service begins 30 days prior to the deployment and continues 60 days after returning.

CYSS is a network of systems and programs through which Army garrisons provide quality child and youth development options that reduce the conflict between parental responsibilities and unit mission requirements.

The objectives of CYSS are to support readiness and contribute to the quality of life of families by providing developmentally-appropriate care options for children and youth.

Since the Army Family Covenant was established in October 2007, significant progress has been made, said Army leadership, in maturing a program that has provided more than a million free respite care hours at garrisons worldwide.

"Child care and youth programs are consistently rated by Soldiers as important to their Family's quality of life, and heavily impact their decision to remain with the Army team," Sgt. Maj. Of the Army Kenneth O. Preston said.

Army Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation officials are quick to note that parents need not be current CYSS patrons to use deployment-cycle support respite care, and that any custodial parent or legal guardian caring for a child of a deployed Soldier or Department of Defense civilian is eligible.

Such care is provided in numerous

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Deputy Director of CYSS

ways including, designated Child Development Center spaces, family child care homes, summer camps for school-age children, trained babysitters referred to parents by CYS Services outreach offices, and parent/child play groups.

For many years, Military Child Care Services were provided informally through parent cooperatives, by wives' clubs, or other private organizations. The post-Vietnam Volunteer Army and the increased number of women and dual-military couples in the Armed Forces dramatically increased child care requirements.

This added pressure on an unregulated child care system and created unsafe conditions for children.

In answer to this, Congress passed the Military Child Care Act in 1989. The purpose was to improve the quality, availability, and affordability of Military Child Care.

By 1997, Military Child Care Programs were declared a "Model for the Nation" by Congress and the White House. Today, the Department of Defense operates the largest "employer-sponsored" child care program in the country.

"The readiness of our all-volunteer force depends on the health of the Families," Secretary of the Army Pete Geren said. Respite care contributes directly to our Families' health and well being.

For more information about Respite Care on Fort Dix call 562-4702.

Tips help everyone 'bee' insect smart

The two greatest risks from most insect stings and bites are potentially fatal allergic reactions and infections. Wounds are more common but less serious. In order to mitigate the risks of dangers of insect bites and stings, follow these suggestions.

Bee, Wasp, Hornet and Yellow Jacket Stings:

A bee will leave behind a stinger attached to a venom sac. Don't try to pull it out. This may release more venom. Instead, gently scrape the venom sac out with a blunt-edged object, such as a credit card or a dull knife.

Wash the area carefully with soap and water. Do this two to three times a day until the skin is healed.

Apply a cold pack, an ice pack wrapped in a cloth, or a cold, wet washcloth for a few minutes.

Apply a paste of baking soda and water and leave it on for 15 to 20 minutes.

Give acetaminophen, such as Tylenol, for pain.

Other remedies for pain and itching: Dab on a tiny bit of household ammonia. There are also over-the-counter products for insect stings that contain ammonia.

Give an over-the-counter antihistamine, if your doctor says it's okay; follow dosage instructions for your age and weight.

A sting in the mouth or nose warrants immediate medical attention because swelling may block airways. You should also seek emergency care if you see any of the following symptoms, which may indicate an allergic reaction:

- large area of swelling
- abnormal breathing
- tightness in throat or chest
- dizziness
- hives or rash
- fainting
- nausea or vomiting
- persistent pain or swelling that lasts more than 72 hours.

Spider Bites:

Most spiders found in the United States are harmless, with the exception of the black widow and the brown recluse spider. Both of these are found in warm climates.

Wash the area carefully with soap and water. Do this two to three times a day until skin is healed.

Apply a cold pack, an ice pack wrapped in a cloth, or a cold, wet washcloth.

Apply a paste of baking soda and water and leave it on for 15 to 20 minutes.

Give acetaminophen (such as Tylenol) for pain.

To protect against infection, apply an antibiotic ointment and keep your hands washed.

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Family Day makes a splash

Spec. Kevin Harrison

Maj. Guy A. Titsworth, commander, Headquarters Headquarters Company, 99th Regional Support Command, drops into a dunk tank at the 99th's Family Day July 27 at John Mann Park. This was the first family day for the Headquarters, Headquarters Company since the command relocated to Fort Dix in February 2008. The event helped unit Soldiers, civilian employees, and family members meet, mingle and have a fun day away from the office. The event also featured go-karts, batting cages, a clown, face painting, balloon animal and a moon bounce castle.

Tips help people 'bee' smart

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If you have any reason to suspect you have been bitten by a black widow or brown recluse spider, head for the emergency room.

Symptoms of a spider bite include:

- a deep blue or purple area around the bite, surrounded by a whitish ring and a large outer red ring body rash

- muscle spasms, tightness,

and stiffness

- abdominal pain
- headache or fever and general feeling of sickness

- lack of appetite
- joint pain

- signs of infection around the bite (swelling and redness)

- pink or red urine

In the southwest United States, an unidentified bite may be caused by a scorpion or brown recluse spider. Head to the

emergency room immediately if you suspect they have been bitten.

Tick Bites

Check your children and pets for ticks carefully after you've been in or around a wooded area. Common types of ticks include dog ticks and deer ticks. Deer ticks may be carriers of Lyme Disease.

If you find a tick on you or your child you should call your

doctor.

The doctor may want you to save the tick after removal. Putting it in a jar of alcohol will kill it.

Use tweezers to grasp the tick firmly at its head or mouth, next to your child's skin. Pull firmly and steadily on the tick until it lets go, then swab the bite site with alcohol.

Don't use petroleum jelly or a lit match to kill a tick.



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AAFES offers back-to-school deals

It pays to know your ABC's when back-to-school shopping.

How do military families get their kids back to school without breaking the bank? It's elementary; follow the Exchange's ABCs for a back-to-school education in real world savings.

A — The Army & Air Force Exchange Service offers a valuable lesson in mathematics with tax-free shopping on clothes, school supplies and even electronics.

In fact, while numerous states have begun instituting tax holidays, military shoppers aren't subject to the restrictions and limited savings opportunities associated with these one-time offerings as tax-free shopping is available year round at BXs and PXs around the world.

Furthermore, AAFES facilities in states with "tax holidays," such as Alabama, Connecticut, Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia

and West Virginia, will match local sales tax percentage discounts during these time frames, by category, to offer an additional percentage off (equivalent to the local sales tax rate) to the already low AAFES prices.

For example, an exchange shopper buying clothing, school supplies, books or computer equipment at Maxwell AFB during Alabama's "tax holiday," Aug. 7-9, will see an additional discount of 10 percent (Montgomery, Ala.'s sales tax rate) on all qualifying items.

B — Military shoppers can teach their children well by staying on budget with discounts on this year's must have fashions and supplies. These special buys will move to head of the class this week as a 24-page circular, chock full of discounted backpacks, clothes, bicycles and more, arrives at AAFES exchanges.

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"AAFES' buying staff has done its homework over the past year and we're ready to pass the savings lessons along to military Families," said AAFES' Chief Marketing Officer Mat Dromey. "Even though we've crammed to deliver the best back-to-school shopping experience possible, we're always prepared to match the lowest local price to ensure authorized shoppers receive the best value for their dollar."

Additional details concerning AAFES' "We'll Match It!" program, as well as links to upcoming "back-to-school" sales and specials are available at www.aafes.com.

C — Sure class is a reward in itself, but some extra incentive

never hurts.

Beyond being a destination for back-to-school shopping, BXs and PXs even offer an array of free and discounted products to students who excel in the classroom through its "You Made the Grade" program.

The current "You Made the Grade" booklet includes valuable coupons and an entry form for a quarterly drawing in which three winners are randomly awarded savings bonds in \$2,000, \$3,000 or \$5,000 denominations. To receive the booklet, students simply present a valid military ID card and proof of an overall "B" or better average to their local BX/PX. Students may receive one coupon package and enter the savings bond drawing for every qualifying report card.

Military families can call the Fort Dix/McGuire BX/PX at 732-6100 for more information about the program.

While some people may say you can't put a price on education, any authorized exchange shopper will tell you that saving money at the BX or PX is as easy as ABC.

CREEPY, CRAWLIES — Bee stings, spider bites and other insect encounters can put a damper on summer fun and in rare instances may even be fatal. Knowing what to do when stings and bites occur can help prevent trips to the doctor.



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Jennifer Chupko

Children benefit from donation

Women of the American Legion Post number 459 of New Brunswick donated arts and crafts supplies, school supplies and a check for \$600 for children of demobilizing Soldiers July 22 at the Joint Readiness Center. Representing the group are, from left, Pat Long, past department president, Maryanne Lathrop, arts and crafts chairman, Bonnie Reid, Fort Dix's Deployment and Mobilization Readiness program, manager, Army Community Service, Linda Carroll, second vice president, Lynda Stadler, department president and Roslyn Belton, historian.

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Burlington County welcomes veterans program

A pilot program to assist military veterans who enter the court system has expanded into Burlington County.

The Veterans Assistance Project, first announced last December by Chief Justice Stuart Rabner, is a combined effort of the Judiciary, the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health Services, to provide referrals to existing community services as well as mentors for veterans.

"The expansion of the Veterans Assistance Project into Burlington County is especially significant because the county is home to Fort Dix and McGuire Air Force Base, two of our nation's most important military installations," Rabner said.

"The project provides our veterans, who have made extraordinary sacrifices in defense of this nation, with volunteer mentors who are a critical component of the program. With the mentors' assistance, the veterans receive the support and services they need," Rabner said.

The New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs will determine which veterans are assigned mentors. The men-

tors, active and retired veterans themselves, volunteer to work with defendants while their criminal case is pending and afterward and try to head off the veteran's return to the criminal justice system on another offense.

The Burlington judges and staff participation in the Veterans Assistance Project will be a coordinated effort across all of the court's operating divisions that will include liaisons from the criminal, civil, family and municipal divisions.

A large number of military personnel live in Burlington County, including active full-time military, active reservists and veterans. The Veterans' Assistance Project will assist all military personnel, not just veterans.

"Burlington County is critical because the military has such a large footprint there," said Maj. Gen. Glenn K. Rieth, the Adjutant General of New Jersey who oversees the state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and serves as commander of the New Jersey National Guard.

"The county is home to one of the state's largest concentration of veterans as well as the Fort Dix-McGuire-Lakehurst

mega base and a half-dozen National Guard facilities," Rieth said.

Some veterans return from military service with physical, mental or personal issues and may turn to drugs or alcohol in an attempt to manage the stress of returning to civilian life.

The Veterans Assistance Project aims to connect service members who need help to existing programs and to volunteer mentors. With help, they can address addiction issues, financial issues and court-related matters such as foreclosures and child custody.

Superior Court Judge John L. Call Jr., presiding judge of the family division, will serve as the vicinage's liaison and advisor for this initiative.

Call is a decorated U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War who served in the 101st Airborne Division and as an infantry officer.

The Veterans Assistance Project was piloted in Atlantic County in the municipal courts and in the criminal division of Superior Court in 2008 and was expanded to Union County in February. Cape May County joined the program this month.

A total of 81 veterans in

Atlantic County and 40 veterans in Union County have been referred from the courts to the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

The program is geared toward providing services to veterans, not diverting veterans from the courts.

Veterans who are charged with indictable and non-indictable offenses, other than minor traffic matters, as well as veterans who are on probation, are eligible to participate in the program, as are veterans who have matters in civil and family court.

The Burlington County Bar Association has designated a liaison to the project to assist with referrals to the New Jersey State Bar Foundation's "A Call to Service" veterans program.

A video about the Veterans Assistance Project can be found at youtube.com/njcourts.

Honoring the Colors

<p>Reveille 6 a.m. (0600)</p>	<p>Retreat 5 p.m. (1700)</p>	
<p>Military personnel in uniform</p>	<p><i>Stand at attention, face the flag and salute at first note.</i></p>	<p><i>Stand at attention, face the flag for <u>Retreat</u>, then salute at first note of <u>To the Colors</u>.</i></p>
<p>Military personnel not in uniform, civilians</p>	<p><i>Stand at attention, face the flag and place right hand over heart at first note.</i></p>	<p><i>Stand at attention, face the flag for <u>Retreat</u>, then place right hand over heart at first note of <u>To the Colors</u>.</i></p>
<p>Military personnel in formation or in a group</p>	<p><i>Senior Soldier calls group to "Attention," then "Present, Arms" at first note. Calls "Order, Arms" at conclusion.</i></p>	<p><i>Senior Soldier calls group to "Attention," then "Parade, Rest" at first note of <u>Retreat</u>. Calls group to "Attention" and "Present, Arms" at first note of <u>To the Colors</u>, then "Order, Arms" at conclusion.</i></p>
<p>Individual military personnel, civilians in a vehicle</p>	<p><i>Stop vehicle and exit. Follow steps above.</i></p>	<p><i>Stop vehicle and exit. Follow steps above.</i></p>
<p>Group of military personnel in a vehicle</p>	<p><i>Stop vehicle. Individual in charge exits and follows steps above.</i></p>	<p><i>Stop vehicle. Individual in charge exits and follows steps above.</i></p>
<p>Other bugle calls heard on post are: Tattoo.....9 p.m. (2100) Call to Quarters.....9:30 p.m. (2130) Taps.....10 p.m. (2200)</p>		



Cadets receive visit from star

West Point Commandant of Cadets, Brig. Gen. Michael Linnington speaks with academy cadets at Range 18, July 31. The South Jersey native spent time talking logistics and encouraging the cadets as they honed their firing skills at the range. Cadets come to Fort Dix each summer to take advantage of the facilities and become acclimated with Army training. Linnington is a native of Lower Township, Cape May County.

Wayne Cook

Honors and Awards



Members of the 157th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, Capt. Mark Bastian, 1st Sgt. Clarence Ross, Lt. Col. David Whaling, and Command Sgt. Maj. Orlando Santiago, left, from Willow Grove, Pa., display their unit's Yellow Banner and Welcome Home plaque July 23. At right, Maj. Anthony Leyva and 1st Sgt. Kevin Smith, 426th Civil Affairs Battalion, Detachment 3, from Upland, Calif. display their unit's Yellow Banner and Welcome Home plaque. Both units recently returned from serving in Iraq.



David Moore

Maj. Joseph Hartman, commander of the 377th Chemical Co. at left, and 1st Sgt. Brent Terry, above, receive the organization's Yellow Banner July 19 after completing a one-year Operation Iraqi Freedom tour in Baghdad. The organization, headquartered in Richmond, Va., was assigned to Multinational Security Transition Command-Iraq where personnel performed convoy security operations.



photos by
Ryan Morton

Lt. Col. Tommy Baker, Command Sgt. Maj. Larry Tidwell, Capt. Donald Jackson, and 1st Sgt. Harold Banks, left to right, of the 30th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, display their unit's Yellow Banner and Welcome Home plaque upon their return from an Operation Iraqi Freedom mission July 23. Baker and Tidwell are the battalion commander and command sergeant major and Jackson and Banks are Headquarters and Headquarters Company commander and first sergeant. This National Guard unit is from Humboldt, Tenn.



At left, Maj. Leslie Vazquez, and 1st Sgt. Kenneth Owens, 1490th Civil Affairs Company commander and first sergeant, display their unit's Yellow Banner during a ceremony at Infantry Park, July 31. The Soldiers from the 490th Chemical Battalion from Anniston, Ala., were cross-leveled to meet the needs of the Army and trained at Fort Bragg, N.C. and Fort Dix for an Operation Iraqi Freedom mission.



From left, 1st Sgt. Thomas K. Watts and Maj. Tim Cox, 422nd Civil Affairs Battalion, Charlie Company commander and first sergeant, and Maj. Timothy Brooke and 1st Sgt. Joseph Winchester, 422nd Civil Affairs Battalion, Bravo Company commander and first sergeant display their units' Yellow Banners at Infantry Park, July 31. Both the companies are from Greensboro, N.C. and are deploying for a mission in Iraq.

At right, Capt. Brian White and 1st Sgt. Charles Morin, 619th Transportation Company commander and first sergeant, display their unit's Yellow Banner at Infantry Park, July 31. The unit, from Auburn, Maine, mobilized at Fort Dix for an Operation Iraqi Freedom mission. The Army truckers will run long-haul missions delivering supplies to military units throughout Iraq. They will also provide convoy security for their own convoys and others as needed.



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Joseph Neluna, left, maintenance lead for Engineering and Professional Services, is presented a Certificate of Appreciation for leadership and dedication from his supervisor Bernie Botts.

General takes charge of Army FMWR Command

Tim Hipps
USACFSC Public Affairs

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — Brig. Gen. Reuben D. Jones took the reins of the Army Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command from Col. Brick T. Miller during a change of command ceremony July 30 at Wallace Theater.

Jones came to FMWR after serving as The Adjutant General of the U.S. Army, Commanding General of the U.S. Army Physical Disability Agency and Executive Director of the Military Postal Service Agency in Alexandria, Va.

"Let me first of all thank Brick Miller, Soldier," Jones said. "Look into his eye and you see the eye of a tiger. ... the eye of an eagle, and he takes that same strength and determination when it comes to defending you, defending Families, defending programs and budgets for our great Army."

Jones also applauded Miller's wife, Judy, for her "sacrifice and commitment to FMWR, and to your great sons who are out there waging and taking care of our nation's business."

"I would like to thank the IMCOM staff, the directors at FMWR, Command Sergeant Major [Abe] Vega, the great NCOs who continue to celebrate their year of celebration and stand in the spot-

light of our Army, and the entire FMWR team for the great support that you've provided during my transition.

"I look forward to working with each of you as we facilitate the programs and services that our Soldiers, their Families, and our commanders so richly deserve. I pledge to give to you all I have. Together we will ensure the command continues to set conditions for success by keeping the Soldier, by keeping the Soldier," Jones reiterated, "the center of our focus. ... The Army is only as good as our Soldiers who man it, and the support they receive from their Families."

Lt. Gen. Robert Wilson, commander of the Installation Management Command, and Sgt. Maj. Abe Vega of FMWR assisted in the passing of the unit flag during the change of command ceremony, a time-honored military tradition that originated during the 18th century reign of Frederick the Great, King of Prussia. It signifies the passing of responsibility for the unit from one commander to the next through the unit's senior enlisted Soldier.

Miller will resume his duties as the FMWR Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff.

"It's truly been an honor and a privilege to command FMWR for the last six months," he said. "It's been the greatest adrenaline rush and the most humbling and rewarding experience of my career."

System available to address issues within the community

Tiffany L. Colby
Customer Management Services

The Community FIRST (Feedback, Issues, Resolutions, Solutions, Today) process is designed to identify and resolve issues that address the well-being of the Military Family.

One of the methods used to collect quarterly issues is through focus groups.

A focus group is a form of qualitative research in which a group of people are asked about

their attitude towards a product, service, concept, or idea.

The intent of the focus group is to identify and discuss service support programs on the installation that affects their everyday life.

It is not meant to be a complaint session, but a time and place where community members can bring up issues that can be resolved by the Installation Commander or issues that need to be forwarded through the Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) process.

Currently, constituents are needed to represent the Civilian Workforce in a focus group on 03 Sep 09 from 1300-1630.

Anyone belonging to this constituent group is encouraged to contact the Tiffany Colby Customer Service Office (CSO) at 609-562-2261 or email dix-cms@conus.army.mil in order to participate.

If you wish to obtain more information on focus groups or to submit a Community FIRST Issue online, please visit www.dix.army.mil/cms to do so.



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Around Post



photos by Capt. Antonia Greene.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT — Capt. William Neal, Detainee Operations Training Officer in Charge, 2nd Battalion, 312th Training Support Regiment, above, is promoted to the rank of major, by Lt. Col. Thomas Shabazz, 2-312th battalion commander, July 24. At right, Capt. Laura Lewis, Headquarters, Headquarters Company commander, 2nd Battalion, 312th Training Support Regiment, is promoted to the rank of major by 2-312th battalion commander, Lt. Col. Thomas Shabazz, at the Detainee Operations Training Facility, July 24.



photos by Spc. Kevin Harrison

I WILL — After 28 years of service, Staff Sgt. Daniel Balint, a command group noncommissioned officer with the 99th Regional Support Command, above, raises his hand to sign up for another ten years with the U.S. Army Reserve at his reenlistment ceremony July 28, at the 99th RSC headquarters building. Balint is a civilian with the 99th as a Human Resource Specialist during the week.



HANDS ON AWARDEE — Sgt. Lukas Kneeland, a Modern Army Combatives Program Level 1 Instructor, far left, receives an Army Achievement Medal from Lt. Col. David Knellinger, commander, 3/315th Engineer Battalion, at the MACP Level 1 class graduation July 30, in Doughboy Gym. Kneeland's AAM comes from outstanding performance at his Level 3 MACP course and being named Honor Graduate within the course.



Ryan Morton

JOB WELL DONE — Col. Jeffery Bonnor, 2nd Brigade, 70th Training Division commander, from Fort McCoy, Wis., shakes the hand of 1st Sgt. Roy Waters after pinning the Army Commendation Medal on his uniform. Waters was awarded his decoration for his service as interim commandant of the Fort Dix NCO Academy, from January 2008 to July 2008, July 22.

Announcements

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Closed
Saturday, Sunday,
Monday
Blue Room
Wednesday
5 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Thursday through Saturday
6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Closed
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday
Computer Lab
Monday and Tuesday
7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday through Friday
7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday
Noon to 10 p.m.
Sunday
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Equipment Resource Center
Hours of operation:
Monday through Thursday
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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John Mann Recreation Park
Hours of operation:
Wednesday and Thursday
1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
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and
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Combat Fitness Challenge
Military Only
6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.
Monday
Mind & Body Yoga
Noon to 12:45 p.m.
Total Toning
5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Gut Buster
6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Tuesday
Step and Sculpt
Noon to 12:45 p.m.
Pilates Fusion
5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Mind and Body Yoga
6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Wednesday
30/30
Noon to 1 p.m.
Mind and Body Yoga
5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Circuit Training
6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Thursday
Retirees in Motion
9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Turbo Kick
Noon to 12:45 p.m.
Zumba
6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Friday
Spin-It
Noon to 12:45 p.m.
Step Fusion
5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Saturday
Cardio Muscle
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Arts & Crafts Center

Bldg. 6039
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562-5691
Registration hours:
Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday:
Noon to 5 p.m. and
6 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
Friday: 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Summer Art Camp
Ages 6 to 10
Tuesday through Friday
12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Ages 11 to 16
3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Pre-registration is required.

Session 3: Aug. 18 through 21
A \$50 registration fee (per session) includes all materials. Explore a variety of craft techniques using clay, paper, paint and more.
Sign up for one or more sessions since projects will be unique to each session. Discounts are available.

Framing Qualification Classes

Wednesday, Aug. 12
6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Pre-registration fee of \$10 is required prior to class. (Materials not included.)
Become familiar with the equipment and complete one piece. You must bring something such as an 8"x10" photo or certificate to frame.
All materials are available at the frame shop and can be purchased at the end of class.

Krafty Birthday Parties

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SPORTS

Amputee sprints to 2012 Paralympics spot



Tim Hipps

TO THE FINISH -- U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program Paralympic sprinter hopeful Sgt. Jerrod Fields works out at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif. A below-the-knee amputee, Fields won a gold medal in the 100 meters with a time of 12.15 seconds at the Endeavor Games in Edmond, Okla., on June 13.

Tim Hipps
FMWRG Public Affairs

CHULA VISTA, Calif. — Sgt. Jerrod Fields capped his track and field season by winning a gold medal at the 2009 Endeavor Games and setting his sights on the 2012 Paralympics.

Fields, a below-the-knee amputee sprinter in the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program, won the 100 meters with a time of 12.15 seconds June 13 in Edmond, Okla., site of the Endeavor Games for athletes with physical disabilities.

Earlier this spring, he finished second against an able-bodied field of collegiate sprinters with a 12.0 clocking in the 100 meters at the Occidental Invitational in Los Angeles.

Fields' coach, Al Joyner, believes his sprinter will flirt with world records on the road to London for the 2012 Paralympics.

"I think he's a potential world record-holder," Joyner said in early February. "I would put my money on him in both the 100 and 200."

There's little reason to doubt Joyner, an Olympic gold medalist and Jim Thorpe Award winner who helped his late wife, Florence Griffith-Joyner, and sister, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, sprint and jump for Olympic gold during their illustrious careers.

Joyner, Team USA's sprint and jump high performance coach, began working with Fields last November at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista.

"In terms of track and field, he's just a baby," Joyner said. "He's just now starting to learn techniques. He may be that one athlete that ends up changing the barrier as far as how people look at things."

Joyner became the first American in 80 years to win an Olympic gold medal in the triple jump at the 1984 Los Angeles Games.

He and Jackie were the first brother-sister duo to strike Olympic gold in the same event. And he coached 100 and 200-

meter women's world record-holder Flo-Jo to five Olympic medals.

"In my family, we have a total of 12 Olympic medals," Joyner said. "And I have been coaching for the past 27 years."

Among Joyner's current crop of athletes, Fields received a special nod of approval.

"If I had to pick a most-improved athlete, he would get the award," Joyner said. "He's getting better and better by the second, so it's going to be really great to see over these next three or four years as we get ready for London. He's going to surprise a lot of people."

"He really has improved in leaps and bounds with his mechanics. If somebody came out and watched him run from afar, they could not see that he had a prosthetic leg. But if you saw him the year before, he was falling all over the place. It's really like night and day."

Fields is chasing the world marks of 11.3 seconds for 100 meters and 22.48 for the 200.

"I'm almost there," he said. "This is my second season and my first real year of training."

Everybody else that I'm competing against either was born without a femur or foot or something. I'm just coming on brand new. I'll catch them by London Games. I'll be ready."

Fields, 27, who played football, basketball and baseball for Carver High School in Chicago, encountered an improvised explosive device in Baghdad, Iraq, in March of 2005.

"I was out on a routine reconnaissance with my platoon and we got a tip that there were explosives inside of a dog," he said. "At that time, they were cutting dogs and cattle open and placing explosives in them. We got the call for the mission to go out and to handle the situation."

We saw the dog and kept our distance to see what the situation was. We didn't want to get too close to it, but it turned out that was a decoy.

"We got the call to return home. I was the trail vehicle in the convoy. As we turned around,

I became the lead vehicle, and that's when an IED went off underneath it. The first IED took the floor plate of my Bradley out. The second one got me in the leg. It took from the calf muscle all the way down to the heel of my foot — the Achilles tendon and muscles. I was able to continue the mission. I didn't feel it really at first. I just felt a lot of fire."

"To be honest, when I first looked down to see what happened, I laughed, because I thought I had dropped a grenade. I was thinking to myself: 'Man, these guys are never going to believe what I've done.' I finally heard over the net that it was an IED and that I had been hit. When I looked at my leg, I saw that it was mangled."

Fields returned to the States and reported to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington on March 1. After six rounds of surgery and six days of miring his most difficult decision, Fields requested amputation below his left knee.

"It would have taken 22 surgeries, and they were going to fuse my ankle," he said. "I would not have been able to play basketball anymore."

Fields resumed walking on April 2. By mid-June, he was playing basketball in a Chicago summer league.

"I never got down or angry about this injury," said Fields, who since has graced the cover of ESPN The Magazine for his "streetball" prowess. "I just felt that it was a new step or direction that I had to go in. I try to go back to (Walter Reed) as often as I can to mentor some of the others."

Fields said he never considered leaving the military, as long as it would have him.

"I saw more support by staying in the Army," said Fields, who suffered the injury at age 22. "That's when President Bush signed a bill for us to stay on active duty pending a PT test to see that we were fit for duty and could return. That was my intention. Then this program came along."

Fields received a call from John Register, a former member of WCAP and a Paralympian in both swimming and track and field who now serves as director of community and military programs for U.S. Paralympics.

"He told me the Army had something for me if I wanted to continue active duty and also become an athlete," Fields recalled. "He faxed me all the paperwork. I got in contact with WCAP, they looked into it, and we went from there. Now, I think I can retire from active duty and come back as a coach to work with some younger Soldier-athletes coming up."

"I was a career Soldier the day I signed up."

Fields suggests that wounded warriors get active as soon as physically possible.

"I would say to get out here and face those fears, if any, and have fun," he said. "This beats sitting in a house and being depressed, or being off your leg or your arm, or thinking how people might view you because of your disability."

"Just get out and have fun."

Fields is still learning to run on the prosthetic.

"When next season rolls around, I'm going to be ready to roll," he said. "I am more focused and I'm finally able to put my workouts together — transferring the benefits from the weight room to the track. I just feel more confident in what I'm doing. The prosthetic is starting to be a part of me. I'm still learning how to get full usage of it, and it's showing on the track."

And on the field, where Fields recently began dabbling with the long jump.

"I'm going to let the event find him," Joyner said. "He's going to run the 400 to keep his strength. Getting ready for the Olympics, it's mental, so I'm going to attack his body to let him know that he can do anything he wants as long as he puts his mind to it. I look at him as a dedicated athlete, and he just keeps raising the bar. My job is to get him competing against himself."

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Tunnel to Towers Run is near

The seventh annual Tunnel to Towers Run will take place Sept. 27. Start time is 9:30 a.m. and participation in the run is free for active duty Soldiers. Word is still awaiting on Army Reserve and National Guard Soldiers.

The Tunnel to Towers Run is a fundraiser done annually to honor the memory of New York Fire Department firefighter Stephen Siller and 343 other firefighters who were killed performing their duties on September 11, 2001.

The race starts at the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel and goes to Operation Ground Zero, the spot where the World Trade Center Towers stood prior to 9/11.

The race is traditionally run on the final Sunday of each September where tens of thousands of runners raise money for various charities including the New York Burn Center and Fallen Heroes Foundation.